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Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire  
Chief Clerk & Administrator  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for Approval of New Cost Recovery Mechanism and Portfolio of Demand-Side Management and Energy Efficiency Programs  
**Docket No. 2013-298-E**

Dear Ms. Boyd:

By this letter, the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") hereby notifies the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") that ORS has reviewed, and does not oppose, the notification and accompanying information submitted by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("DEC" or the "Company") in the above referenced Docket on December 6, 2017. The notification, informs the Commission of the impact of DEC's heating ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) tune-up measure in the Small Business Energy Saver (SBES) program, which DEC began offering on December 1, 2017.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments in this matter.

Sincerely,

Andrew M. Bateman

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